

Two Men and A Girl

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From one end to the other of First Avenue there were many young women who had some claims to attractiveness. But there was none like Miss Sallie Smith. She was the belle among belles. Miss Sallie spent some time one day in deep thought.

"Well, I don't care," she said to herself, "Billy certainly can't think as much of me as Jenks, for if he does why doesn't he show it?"

Outward demonstration and material evidence count for everything in this world. And the situation that perplexed Miss Sallie Smith was a peculiar one. She had two admirers who were strenuous ones. The name of one of these young men was William Burke. The name of the other was Jenkinson. It was a toss up between the two. But the trouble was that while William Burke was the neater dresser and possessed a more attractive bearing, yet Mr. Jenkinson was a man who wooed Miss Sallie with a considerable amount of coin. Miss Sallie Smith did not care so much about the amount of coin lavished upon her, but it was the only way in which—things go in First Avenue—the only way by which she could measure the quality and quantity of a man's attentions. Burke couldn't be stingy, she felt, but he did not come to time, as one might say, Jenkinson, on the other hand, poured his wealth at her feet.

Now, Miss Sallie Smith was such a good manager that up to date Mr. Burke and Mr. Jenkinson had never met. But both gentlemen were becoming so insistent that she determined finally that she would make a choice. She was really fortunate, for there are few girls who have two proposers hanging around every day in the week. She would give each man a fair chance, judge of the devotion of each by the best standards, and then she would decide once and for all.

Mr. Jenkinson was a trolley car conductor. Mr. Jenkinson held before his mental vision this motto: "The greatest good to the greatest number. The greatest number—No. 1." And, being a trolley car conductor, it was up to him to put this motto into everyday practice. He had made up his mind that Miss Sallie Smith was the only girl in the universe, and it was his purpose to make her think more than ever that he was the only man. Fortunately, the season favored him. It was the holiday time and the cars were crowded.

Mr. Jenkinson laid out a little programme to commence a few days before Christmas and to finish up with Christmas itself. The important characters on the programme were himself and Miss Sallie Smith—a night or two at the theater, a dinner and an east side diamond ring to wind up with on the day of all days, expensive luxuries for a man with his salary, but Mr. Jenkinson had a way to fix all that. The holiday crowds helped him out. Mr. Jenkinson propounded to himself a problem in mental arithmetic: If 200 people on a car pay their fare and the indicator bell is rung only 100 times, (1) Who will know the difference? (2) How much is there in it for the conductor? (3) How often must it be done to carry out the Jenkinson programme? It may be said at this juncture that Mr. Jenkinson was an adept at this sort of game and also that he had never been caught.

Now, it was just about this time that Miss Sallie Smith, who didn't really know just why, made up her mind to invite Mr. Burke and Mr. Jenkinson to call, both upon the same evening, that evening being the night before Christmas. They both accepted. In the meantime fate was mixing up things just a little bit. Mr. Jenkinson was solving his problem in a highly satisfactory manner. An incident will suffice to show his method. It was the day before Christmas. His route ended at Fifty-ninth street. Four blocks this side of Fifty-ninth street he turned his indicator hand back to zero. This was peculiar, because, as he had four blocks still to go, and in holiday season, too, it is probable that it would be necessary to ring up more fares. And it was necessary. But he rang them up so that they stood credited to the down trip.

So far he had been honest. His next move, however, was profitable. When he reached Fifty-ninth street he had received seven or eight fares which he duly rang up. Leaving those seven or eight credited to the down trip, the first seven or eight fares he collected on the down trip he did not ring up. Why? Because, apparently, they were already rung up. This little scheme netted him 25 or 40 cents. This is only one method. Mr. Jenkinson had not noted, however, that one of his passengers, a well dressed young man, engaged in reading the newspaper, did not alight at the end of the trip and indicated that he had passed his point of departure and had to go back. This young man was a great reader. But he stuck close to Mr. Jenkinson's car all the way down—merely one of the crowd.

That evening Mr. Jenkinson attended at Miss Sallie Smith's. He was received with enthusiasm, for he and Miss Sallie had attended a performance at the theater on the evening previous. Finally Mr. Billy Burke, natty as usual, turned up. As he entered he was introduced to Mr. Jenkinson. He looked, stared, gave a short gasp and then shook hands. He acknowledged

to himself that Mr. Jenkinson's face had become familiar to him. Mr. Jenkinson evidently had never seen him.

Now, there was one thing that Mr. Billy Burke could not help noticing and that was that Miss Sallie Smith had a decided leaning toward Jenkinson. He (Billy Burke) seemed pretty well out of it. Miss Smith had meant to be impartial, but Mr. Jenkinson's attentions had really overpowered her. The hour of parting came. Mr. Burke, with a delicacy which he felt to be due to the occasion, left first. He walked slowly down the stairs and out into the street. He shook his head. "That fellow," he exclaimed softly to himself. "But, after all, it's none of my business." He thought about it for a long while. Then, acting under impulse, he thrust his hand into his inside pocket and pulled out a yellow paper. It was a blank form which he had filled up. Upon it appeared a date, the name of John Jenkinson, and some figures in the dollars and cents column. He hesitated an instant, then he suddenly tore it to pieces and threw it into the gutter.

The next morning—Christmas morning it was—he stepped into an office, for no days were holidays to Burke. He passed over some yellow slips. A man looked at them and frowned.

"You were on No. — yesterday?" he asked.

"I was," Burke answered.

"You got a report against No. —?" Jenkinson, his name is.

Burke shook his head. "I have not," he answered.

"Then," said the other man, "we're through with you; that's all. Jenkinson skinned us yesterday more than we've ever been skinned and, by George, it happened that Barker was spotting you while you were spotting Jenkinson. You can go. We don't want a spotter who's in cahoots with our conductors; that's all."

Burke turned red and white. He started in to explain, then he stopped. He thought of Miss Sallie Smith. Christmas night Mr. Jenkinson called upon Miss Sallie Smith. He was not quite so bashful as usual. But he had a little box in his hand. "Sallie," he said, "I lost my job today. I don't know why, but I brought you a little."

Miss Sallie stopped him. "I know," she said. She produced a paper. "That's why," she exclaimed, "and I know, because I took the trouble to find out. It was a clipping headed:

JENKINSON, THE WORST EVER.

The Trolley Company Fires Man Who Holds Holiday Knowledge Down Fare Record.

Jenkinson flushed, but he did not dare to lie. "They—they all do," he remarked. "I was caught; that's all. After all, Sallie," he went on, "I only did it because I wanted to get this for you." He exhibited the box.

Sallie Smith stepped to the mantelpiece. She took down a bundle. It contained all the presents that Jenkinson had ever given her. She handed them over. "You can go," she said. "Any man who would steal for me certainly doesn't have much respect for me." Jenkinson looked stupidly at her. "You may go," she said. Jenkinson went.

Billy Burke came later. He was not so well dressed this time. "Sallie," he said, "I want to tell you something. I've always been ashamed to tell you what I was working at. I—I'm a spotter on the trolley—I had to be—I couldn't get anything else to do. They don't pay us, though, as well as they do the motormen and the conductors. But they—they've fired me. I'll tell you. They fired me because I didn't turn in the name of a man who knocked down fares. They were right. I didn't. It doesn't make any difference why. But I'm out, and I've got to get another job, and I'm glad of it."

Miss Sallie Smith gasped. "The man you wouldn't report," she asked—"was it John Jenkinson?" Burke's face gave him away.

"How—how did you know?" he asked.

She paused a moment. "When did you first meet him?" she inquired.

"Last night," said Burke, flushing still. "Was the first time. I didn't want to."

Sallie held out her hand. "Billy—Billy," she exclaimed, "and you did it all for me—for me?" She paused a moment. "Where are your good clothes?" she asked as she looked at him.

"I've got to tell you all about it," Sallie, he answered. "You see, I always had to wear good clothes, and had to buy 'em and keep getting new ones, so that it would look as if I was somebody, and they didn't give me enough hardly to get 'em. Well, I got sick of 'em. And I tell you, Sallie, what I did. I up and pawned 'em, and—and I—I did a nifty thing. I—I bought you this. I was afraid—and I wasn't sure, but"—He paused, stuck his hand in his pocket and pulled out a ring. "I haven't got a job," he went on, "but—"

"I don't care," returned Miss Sallie Smith. "You've lost your job, and you've pawned your clothes, and all for me. I don't believe there's any man would do as much. This is the very best Christmas that I've ever had. So there!"

Jenkinson had not pawned his clothes, but he had lost his job some-what on account of Miss Sallie Smith, but there was a difference with a wide distinction. And so Miss Sallie Smith decided for herself and for Billy Burke.

It Comes Nigh.

He—They may advertise it as a free bazaar, but I'll bet you'll find it expensive before you're through with it. No—Nonsense! How can a thing be expensive if it's free? He—Easy enough. Just get mixed up in a free fight, for instance, and see—Cath-

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(Chancery B-91.)

SHERIFF'S SALE in Chancery of New Jersey—Between the Essex County Mutual Insurance Company, complainant, and James L. Baker et al., defendants. Pl. fa. for sale of mortgaged premises.

By virtue of the above stated writ of fieri facias to me directed, I shall expose for sale by public vendue at the court house in Newark on Tuesday, the twentieth day of June next, at two o'clock P. M., all that tract or parcel of land and premises situate, lying and being in the township (now town) of Bloomfield, Essex county, New Jersey.

Beginning at the intersection of the easterly side of Thomas street with the northerly side of Washington street; thence (1) along easterly side of Thomas street north sixteen degrees thirty minutes east one hundred and sixty-eight feet, more or less; thence (2) along easterly side of R. Conlon; thence (3) along said Conlon's line south seventy-three degrees twenty minutes east fifty-three feet to line of George Canale; thence (4) south seven degrees fifteen minutes east one hundred and twenty-four feet to northerly line of Washington street; thence (5) along northerly side of Washington street south seventy degrees fifteen minutes west forty-eight feet, more or less; thence (6) still along Washington street south eighty-three degrees thirty-five minutes west seventy and fifty-seven hundred and thirty feet to the place of beginning.

Excepting therefrom for the purpose of widening and altering Thomas street, the portion of said premises described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the northerly line of Washington street with the easterly line of Thomas street, as monumented (Washington street being sixty feet wide and Thomas street fifty feet wide); thence (1) along the easterly side of Thomas street north eight degrees thirty-five minutes east twenty-five feet; thence (2) south ten degrees east one hundred and twenty-three feet and seven one-hundredths of a foot to the northerly line of Washington street; thence (3) along the northerly line of Washington street south seventy degrees fifteen minutes west seventy and fifty-seven hundred and thirty feet to the place of beginning.

The last above description is from an actual survey made by Adolph H. Olmstead, civil engineer, in August, sixteen hundred and ninety-six.

Sewark, N. J., May 12, 1905.

EDWARD OAKES, Solicitor. (\$10.00)

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT.

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TOWN OF BLOOMFIELD.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON
APPLICATION FOR
LICENSE.

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that the following applications have been made to the Council of the Town of Bloomfield, in the County of Essex, to wit:

FIRST WARD.

JAMES M. BELDON, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 15 Broad street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Edward H. Hecker and Wm. R. Hawson.

ERNEST RAFFLAUB, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at corner of Washington and Bloomfield avenues, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Thomas Higgins and Eli Harris.

ARTHUR LEUTHAUSSER, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 699 Bloomfield avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Solomon Harris and Fred G. Fleischer.

FRANK NARUCKI, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 12 John street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Michael Kane and Karl Hetzel.

HENRY TREIBER, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 183 Bloomfield avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: John Charles and Nicholas Schneider.

JOHN W. BENT, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 428 and 427 Bloomfield avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Christian Schaefer and Wm. R. Kopp.

FREDERICK NOLZE, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 269 Bloomfield avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Frank Narucki and T. D. Murphy.

CHARLES M. DECKER, CATON L. DECKER, GUY DECKER and HARRISON DECKER, partners, doing business under the firm name of Charles M. Decker & Brothers, for a license to keep a wholesale liquor store at Nos. 37 and 39 Broad street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Thomas B. Baxter and P. W. Koppel.

SECOND WARD.

THOMAS HALLINAN and CHARLES J. HALLINAN, doing business under the firm name of Hallinan Brothers, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 478 Broad street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: B. Hallinan and M. A. Boyne.

MAX KURNICK, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 104 Third street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Adolph Slavinski and William Miller.

CHARLES W. ALL YKASKY, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 60 Lock street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Frederick Herold and Ewald Hesse.

WALLACE LYONS, for a license to keep an inn and tavern on Upper Broad street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: August Fredericks and Wm. D. Campbell.

THIRD WARD.

JOHN KOFFE, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 296 Glenwood avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Martin J. Callahan and John Schwab.

WILLIAM JOHNSON, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 365 Glenwood avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Frank N. Unanget and Augustus Ashler.

MORRIS SNYDER, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 479 Glenwood avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Noah Hanson and Alfred Bitterli.

GILBERT BRADY, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 542 Bloomfield avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: John Finerty and Thomas M. Caffrey.

HENRY D. McCANN, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 554 Bloomfield avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Charles J. Hildebrandt and Charles J. Flanagan.

WILLIAM PARTING, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 16 Prospect street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Joseph Baxter and J. R. Conlan.

JOHN H. ASHWORTH, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 92 Orange street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: James Y. Nicoll and William Parting.

ELIZABETH METZ, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 446 Bloomfield avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Thomas H. Albinson and Louis Schiefel.

ALFRED JOHNSON, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 30 Orange street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Patrick F. Higgins and Theodore Mack.

JULIUS PETREINE, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 10 Orange street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Jacob Hamblacher and Albert Schmidt.

JOHN MCCARTHY, for a license to keep a saloon at Nos. 1 and 3 Orange street, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: Morris Snyder and R. J. Maxwell.

MORIS SCHEUER and DAVID SCHEUER, doing business under the firm name of Scheuer & Brother, for a license to keep a wholesale liquor store at Nos. 50 and 579 Bloomfield avenue, in said town.

Names of bondsmen: John Jaeger and Samuel Shaver.

And that the Town Council has designated MONDAY, JUNE 19, 1905, at 8 o'clock in the evening, in the Council Chamber, in the Bloomfield Building, Bloomfield, to consider any objections that may be made to the granting of said applications.

Dated Bloomfield, N. J., June 6, 1905.

WM. L. JOHNSON, Town Clerk.

(Circuit A-453.)

SHERIFF'S SALE—Essex Common Pleas Court.

Frank L. O'Brien vs. Annie E. Ward, Pl. fa. By virtue of the above stated writ of fieri facias, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by public vendue at the Court House in Newark on Tuesday, the eleventh day of July next, at two o'clock P. M., all that tract or parcel of land and premises situate, lying and being in the town of Bloomfield, Essex county, New Jersey.

Beginning on the southerly side of Almira street, formerly known as "Almadene street," at the north-west corner of hereinafter described lot and marked on map made by C. O. McComb, May, 1885, as number Fourteen; thence (1) along said Almira street south, seventy-two and one-half degrees east fifty feet to lot No. Thirteen on said map; thence (2) along said lot No. Thirteen south, seventy-two and one-half degrees west one hundred and fifty feet to land now or formerly belonging to Frank Debat; thence (3) along Debat's line and lands belonging to estate of Isaac B. Wheeler north seventy-two and one-half degrees west fifty feet to the side line of lot No. Fifteen, being property of Frank B. Dalley; thence (4) along said Dalley's line north seventeen and one-half degrees east one hundred and fifty feet to the place of beginning. Containing 1,500 square feet and known as lot No. 14 on said map.

NEWARK, N. J., June 8, 1905.

WILLIAM C. NICOLL, Sheriff. (\$10.00)

Notice to Objectors.

The map and report of the Board of Assessors of the assessment fixed by them for the whole cost and expense in the matter of the construction of a sanitary sewer in West Belleville Avenue, in the Town of Bloomfield, in the County of Essex, and State of New Jersey, have been filed in the Town Clerk's office, and are now open to public inspection.

Objections in writing to said report, map and assessment must be filed with the Town Clerk on or before Monday evening, July 3, 1905, at 8 o'clock, at which time the Town Council will meet in the Council Chamber, in the Bloomfield National Bank Building at Bloomfield, in the County of Essex, and State of New Jersey, to consider such objections.

Dated June 8, 1905.

WM. L. JOHNSON, Town Clerk.

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